

Rep. Mike Dudgeon (R-24)

Biography

Mike Dudgeon currently serves as the state Representative for District 24, which covers the southern part of Forsyth County. Prior to taking office on January 10, 2011, he served on the Forsyth County Board of Education where he advocated for high standards for the students, fiscal discipline, and direct communication with the public.

Representative Dudgeon has bachelors and masters degrees in Electrical Engineering from Georgia Tech, holds four U.S. patents, and has been in the technology business his entire career. He helped build the Alpharetta based startup Radiant Systems in the 1990s and was part of the group that took the company public. In 2001 he founded Tier One, an engineering consulting business in Forsyth County. Within a few years it was recognized as a leading provider of embedded systems projects in the Southeast. After selling his interest in Tier One, Representative Dudgeon and partners in 2007 founded Qualia Labs which is performing research into new computer architectures and artificial intelligence. He recently joined Alpharetta based video game company Hi-Rez Studios as Vice President of Research.

Representative Dudgeon has a passion for youth and public service and is very active in the community. He is an usher, youth Sunday school teacher, and past chair of the church council at Johns Creek United Methodist. For 20 years he has refereed high school basketball across north Georgia and worked the GHSA state tournament in 2007. Representative Dudgeon is very active in leadership of the Boy Scouts. He is past chair of Cub Scout Pack 3143 and currently serves as Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 143 in Johns Creek. He led a group of high school aged scouts on 150 miles of backpacking in 2010 culminating in an 11 day hike in the Rocky Mountain wilderness at the Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico. Representative Dudgeon is the former president of the Kappa Sigma House Corporation of Georgia Tech where he spearheaded efforts to rebuild the aging fraternity house.

Mike and his wife Lori have three boys ages 16, 14, and 12 and live in southern Forsyth county.